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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON



October 25, 1949

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7-11-49 from Mr. Childs
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b. That the study be completed in time for action at the November meeting of the IAC.

Sincerely yours,

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Department of State Member,
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